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> New U.S. Patent Application Re:

> > Title: PROTECTION OF KERATINOUS FIBERS USING CERAMIDES

AND/OR GLYCOCERAMIDES

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- Application 69 pages, including title page and abstract, and including 3 1. independent claims and 52 claims total.
- Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)/Form PTO 2. 1449/Documents (21).
- A check for \$1,266.00 representing a \$690.00 filing fee and \$576.00 for 3. additional claims.

This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) and (f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the executed Declaration.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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